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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20231

In re application of:)

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DISPENSING SYSTEM)

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December 21, 1984

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

I, THOMAS F. MCCARTHY, a citizen of the United States of America and a resident of San Bernardino County, State of California, whose post office address is 2901 Caldwell Avenue, Ontario, California 91761, hereby declare the following:

1. I hold a Major in Data Processing from Riverside City College and Certifications of Completion from Burroughs Medium Systems Schools and AMA User Documentation School.

2. I have approximately fourteen years of experience in computer programming, and software and hardware systems design and analysis.

3. I am familiar with the following hardware: B-2900, B-4700, B-2700, B-3500, B-2500, B-1955, TRS-80 Model 11, TRS-80 Model 111, Morrow MD-3, IBM PC XT.

4. I am familiar with the following software:

ANSI 68 COBOL, ANSI 74 RM-COBOL, AUDIT REPORTER, CANDE, PRO, SMCS, NDL, MCP, CPM, PCDOS, MSDOS, CPM 86.

5. I have managed an insurance data company which involved the use of Telenet to transfer data to and from a central computer and local terminals of insurance companies.

6. I have read the above referenced patent application consisting of twenty-three pages of specification, ten claims, and seven figures of drawings.

7. I have worked on the development of software implementing the transfer of data via Telenet as described in said patent application.

8. I have been asked to express an opinion as to whether the information contained in said specification and drawings, coupled with my knowledge of computer programming, would be sufficient to enable me to write the necessary programs to implement the transfer of data via TELENET between insurance companies and a central computer as described in the specification, shown in the flow chart of Figure 7, and as defined in Claim 5.

9. It is my opinion that there is sufficient information within said specification and drawings to enable me to write programs implementing said data transfer without any difficulty

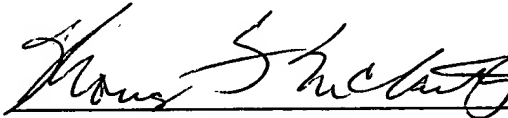
and without undue experimentation.

10. It is also my opinion that said specification and drawings provide sufficient information to allow any person of equivalent knowledge to mine to write the necessary software implementing said data transfer.

11. I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Dated: _____

12/28/84


THOMAS F. MCCARTHY